

Capsule Summary
SM-568
Edwards/Miedzinski House
Leonardtown
Private

c. 1910s-1920s

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St. Mary's County
Maryland Comprehensive State Historic Preservation Data

Historic Context

Geographic Organization:	Western Shore
Chronological/Developmental Period:	Industrial/Urban Dominance, 1870-1930
Historic Period Theme:	Architecture

Resource Type

Category:	Building
Historic Environment:	Town
Historic Function and Use:	Residence
Known Design Source:	None

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. SM-568

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Edwards/Miedzinski House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 331 Lawrence Avenue ☐ not for publicationcity, town Leonardtown ☐ vicinity of congressional district 3

state Maryland county St. Mary's TM 133, P 225

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Miedzinski Investments, Inc.

street & number Box 348 telephone no.: (301)-475-5808

city, town Leonardtown state and zip code Maryland 20650

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Planning and Zoning liber MRB 144

street & number folio 478

city, town Leonardtown state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent
☒ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved

date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Contributing resource count: 1

The Edwards/Miedinski house is located on the west side of Lawrence Avenue just north of the intersection of Park and Lawrence Avenue. Oriented on an east-west axis, the dwelling is situated on flat 0.3 acre tract approximately fifteen feet west of the road. The house is bounded to the north by a one story residence, to the west by an alley, and to the south by the Southern Maryland Bottling Company Building (SM-567).

The Edwards/Miedinski house is a two story, five bay, frame dwelling with a gable roof. The entire house is sheathed with artificial siding while the roof is covered with asphalt siding.

The east or primary elevation is pierced by three, six-over-six, doubl-hung sash windows and two wood doors. These bays are sheltered by a hipped porch covered with asphalt shingles. The roof is supported by a series of five turned posts. The second floor is pierced by three, six-over-six and one, two-over-two windows. The roof, pierced by two brick chimney flues, also features a cross gable. The arrangement of the fenestration suggests that this dwelling originally consisted of a two story, three bay main block and a three bay, one story wing. The roof of the house was later raised to one continuous line.

The other elevations and interior were not investigated.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property .309 acres

Quadrangle name Leonardtown, Md

Quadrangle scale 1:24 000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A

Zone Easting Northing

B

Zone Easting Northing

c

D

E 

F

G

Category	Value
1	100
2	200
3	300
4	400
5	500
6	600
7	700
8	800
9	900
10	1000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Same as per deed description.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Kirk E. Ranzetta, Historic Sites Surveyor
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organization St. Mary's County Planning and Zoning

date April 1997

street & number 22740 Washington Street

telephone (301) 475-4662

city or town Leonardtown

state Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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100 COMMUNITY PLACE
CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032-2023
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8.1 Significance

Chain-of-Title

(All deeds are located at the Land Records Office, St. Mary's Courthouse, Leonardtown, Maryland unless otherwise noted.)

Deed Reference: Liber MRB 144, Folio 478

Grantee: Miedzinski Investments Inc.

Grantor: Robert Miedzinski, et al

Date: May 23, 1983

Notes: The deed describes this lot as containing .309 acres.

Deed Reference: Liber CBG 13, Folio 395

Grantee: Robert and Mary Lillian Miedzinski

Grantor: J. Lewis and Birdie Edwards

Date: May 23, 1942

Deed Reference: Liber JMM 3, Folio 316

Grantee: J. Lewis and Birdie Edwards

Grantor: J. Allan Coad, et ux

Date: October 21, 1925

Notes: Here the property is described as containing 13,453 sq ft.

Deed Reference: Liber JMM 3, Folio 113

Grantee: J. Allan Coad

Grantor: Daisey L and J. Harry Peacock

Date: May 7, 1925

Deed Reference: Liber EBA 17, Folio 238

Grantee: Daisey L. Peacock

Grantor: Lewis R. and Lena E. Springer

Date: August 10, 1918

Deed Reference: Liber EBA 17, Folio 144

Grantee: Lewis R. and Lena E. Springer

Grantor: L. Allison Wilmer and Joseph H. Ching

Date: May 22, 1918

Notes: As the result of circuit court case No. 1275 involving the Leonardtown Bank of the Eastern Shore Trust Company vs Frank Lawrence, several properties of Asa A. Lawrence were sold at public auction. The Springers subsequently purchase the property.

Deed Reference: Liber JFF 7, Folio 187

Grantee: Asa A. and Anna G. Lawrence

Grantor: Joseph H. Key and wife

Date: March 18, 1884

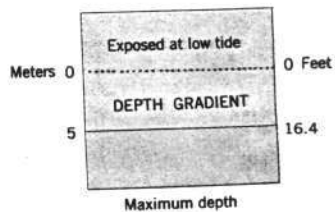
Notes: The Keys sell the Lawrences 1/2 acre on the west side of Lawrence Avenue.



	500
	400
	300
	200
	100
	0
0	0
Feet	Meters
1	.3048
2	.6096
3	.9144
4	1.2192
5	1.5240
6	1.8288
7	2.1336
8	2.4384
9	2.7432
10	3.0480

To convert feet to meters
multiply by .3048

To convert meters to feet
multiply by 3.2808



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

- | | | | |
|-------------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| Heavy-duty | ————— | Light-duty | ————— |
| Medium-duty | ————— | Unimproved dirt | ----- |
| | | State Route | ○ |

LEONARDTOWN, MD.
 SW/4 LEONARDTOWN 15' QUADRANGLE
 38076-C6-TB-024

1963
 BATHYMETRY ADDED 1982
 PHOTOREVISED 1984
 DMA 5660 I SW-SERIES V833

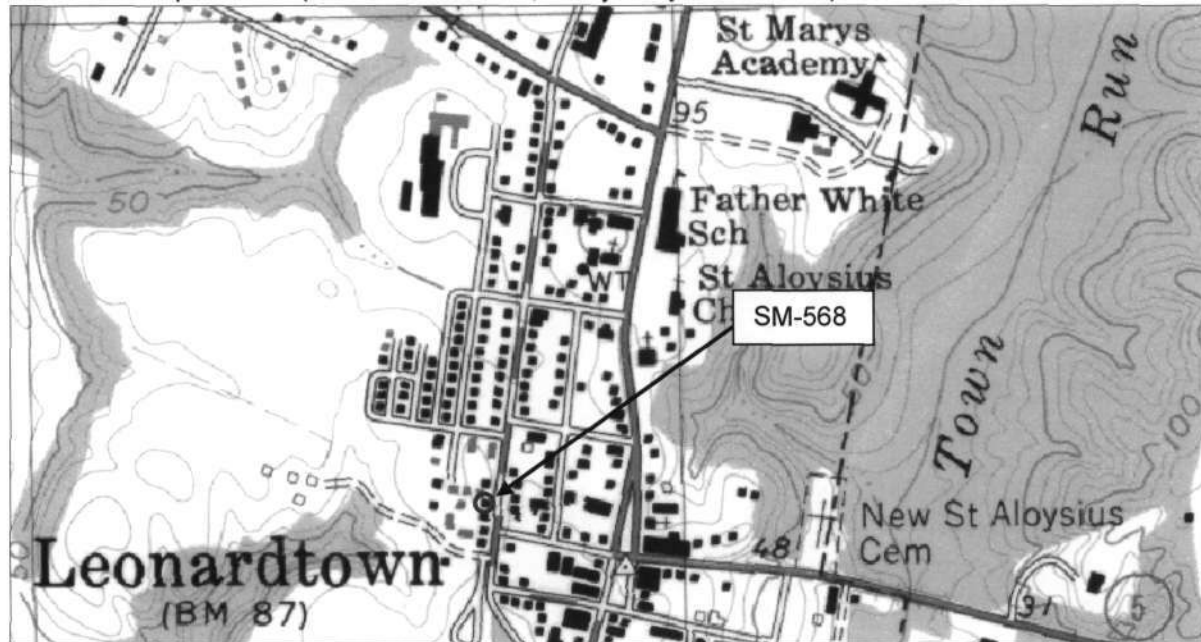
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22715 Lawrence Avenue, Leonardtown

Leonardtown quad 1963 (Photorevised 1984, Bathymetry added 1982)



National Web Map Service 6" Orthophoto Map,
c. 2007-08

Tax Map 133, P. 225





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St. Mary's County

Kirk Ranzetta

10/96

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E + N elevations

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